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Stated Meeting, May 19, 1882.

Present, 9 members.

President, Mr. FRALEY, in the Chair.

A letter accepting membership was received from C. W. King, dated Trinity College, Cambridge, England, May 5, 1882.

Letters of acknowledgment were received from Messrs. Downes, Hilgard, Goodfellow, Schott (109); American Ethnological Society (109); U. S. Naval Observatory (109); State Historical Society Wisconsin (110); Asaph Hall (110); C. H. F. Peters (110); Kansas State Historical Society (110); American Ethnological Society (110); Boston Public Library (110); Maryland Historical Society (110), and Poughkeepsie Society of Natural History (109, 110).

Donations for the Library were received from the *Accademia dei Lincei*; *Société Géographique*, Paris; *S. C. Geog.*, Bordeaux; *London Nature*; *Academy*, Brussels; *Museum of Comparative Zoölogy*; *Cincinnati Observatory*, and the *Geological Survey of Canada*.

Prof. Rothrock read, by appointment, an obituary notice of Thomas P. James.

Mr. Lesley read, by appointment, an obituary notice of Edward Desor.

The Rev. C. G. Ames was requested to prepare an obituary notice of Ralph Waldo Emerson.

The death of Wm. S. Vaux, at Philadelphia, May 5, aged 60, was announced, and Mr. Law appointed to prepare an obituary notice of the deceased.

The death of Chas. M. Wheatley, at Phoenixville, May 6, aged 60, was announced.

The death of Dr. George Smith, at Media, Delaware County, March 10, 1882, aged 78, was announced, and Dr. Brinton was appointed to prepare an obituary notice of the deceased.

A "Contribution to a monograph of the North American